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Attachment 1. Maintenance Department of Azerbaydzhani Rural Power Commission in Kuba. This one-page report is a very brief description of the location, personnel, and activities of the Rural Power Commission.

Attachment 2. Oil Prospecting in Onbaky, Duvannyy rayon, Azerbaydzhanskaya SSR. This two-page report contains brief information on the location and activities of the Onbaky Oil Prospecting Trust. There is also brief information on the Cheil-Dag (N 40-18, E 49-18) - Sangachal (N 40-10, E 49-28) road, an airfield north of Sangachal, and AAA installations along the Caspian Sea between Duvannyy and Baku.

Attachment 3. Oil Prospecting in the Kirovabad Area. This two-page report contains information on the location, organization, and working conditions in the Oil Prospecting Trust in the Kirovabad Area. The report also contains information on exploration drilling in six different areas of the Azerbaydzhanskaya SSR.

Attachment 4. Dismounting of the Yevlakh-Stepanakert (N 39-50, E 46-46) Railroad Track; Miscellaneous Information on Mir-Bashir (N 49-20, E 46-55). This one-page report contains very brief information on the dismantling of the Yevlakh-Stepanakert railroad and on the town of Mir-Bashir.

Attachment 5. Kirewabad Oil Prospecting Trust. This two-page report contains information on the personnel, organization, and location of the Kirovabad Oil Prospecting Trust.

Attachment 6. Oil Pumping Station at Kyurak-Chay. This one-page report contains very brief information on the functions of an oil pumping station and diesel generating power station at the Kyurak-Chay railroad station (N 40-40,E 46-42)

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Mai	ntenence Department of "Azsel'energo" (Azerb. Rural Power Commission) in Kube 50X1-HUN
1.	Kuba Maintenance Department of the Azerb. Rural Power Commission (Kubinskoye Eksploatatsionnoye Otdeleniye Azsel'energo*) was located at 12 Krupskaya St.* in Kuba, Azerb. SSR. It was under the Ministry of Agriculture of the USSR*. The superintendent (upravlyayushchiy) of Azsel'energo, Ali GAMBAROVICH, came from Baku, where his office was, to Kuba for infrequent inspections.
2.	The head of the Kuba office of Azsel'energo was A. RZAYEV*, the secretary was fnu PARKHOMENKO*. The office employed seven district electricians under foreman fnu NIKITIN. The responsibilities of the department was the maintenance of the power lines on the roads and on the farm streets of Kuba rayon. The maintenance of the housewiring in town and farm dwellings and on the streets within the Kuba town limit was the responsibility of Kuba komkhoz (otdel kommunal'nogo khozyaystva - Communal Economy Department).
3.	Kuba rayon was administratively sub-divided into seven districts with one electrician attached to each district. Minor repairs such as exchange of insulators on poles, replacement of broken wire, etc. was performed by an individual responsible for the district in which the accident occured. How-ever, the whole department crew took part in larger scale operations such as 50X1-HUN an exchange of outdated poles or replacement of long portions of power lines.
4.	The electric power in this region was supplied by Kuba GES located near the 50X1-HUM new bridge from Kuba to Krasnaya Sloboda.





Oil Prospecting in Onbaky, Duvannyy Rayon, Azerb. SSR
Settlement Onbaky
Airfield near Sangachal (or Sangachly), Duvannyy Rayon
AAA Installations between Duvannyy and Baku 50X1-HU
a group of about 30-40 was residing in Bakilyan collective farm, Rayon Marazy (this area is called "Shirvan" by the local population), when they were recruited as laborers for the Azerb. Oil Prospecting Trust (Aznefterazvedka) and transported by trucks, via Marazy - Dzheyran Batan, to Cheil'dag (or Chair-Dag on other maps). The original village of Cheil'dag, which consisted of 12 houses, could not accommodate the 300-400 workers with their families gathered in this area at the beginning of the Aznefterazvedka operations. The workers first constructed mud-huts (zemlyanki) and then wooden barracks which in turn were gradually replaced by pre-fabricated wooden rambler houses ("finskiye"). there were constructed 150 two-story buildings on the outskirts of Cheil'dag (toward Sangachal), some of which were still unoccupied at the time of this information.
This new settlement was given the name of Onbaky which means "loth Baku" in Azerbaydzhanian. It was divided into two parts: the Upper and the Lower 50X1-Honbaky. The Upper settlement was occupied by oil field (promysel) employees, the Lower was constructed for needs of Nefterazvedka. When the oil prospecting for this area was discontinued, the houses of Lower Onbaky were turned over to a medical institution. It was converted into a hospital for veneral diseases, surrounded by a barbed wire fence with guards at the gate.
Cheil'dag - Onbaky was supplied with electric power from Mingechaur GES.
The water supply was formerly executed by the tank trucks but later the local water pumping station and concrete reservoir were built, and water taps (kolonki) constructed on the streets of the projects. The offices of Nefterazvedka were located in Cheil'dag. The superintendant 50X1-

while going by truck on the highway from Duvanny to Baku,
numerous AAA installations (zenitki), located along the Caspian Sea shore,
between the highway and the sea. These units each consisted of several guns
and some tents which accommodated the service personnel. The installations
could be seen with the naked eye from the highway; the distances between
consecutive installations varied from two to five kilometers. Only near Baku,
where the highway ceases to line along with the sea shore and turns toward
the mainland away from the Caspian Sea.

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b.	Samokh Rayon, near collective farms Karabegly and Poyle about 20-22 km. from Samokh. The workers lived in farm houses. The
	group drilled some 50 holes, 2-4 km. apart, in two years. No information on oil. District superintendent was fnu KOZYREV, same as in "a".
c.	Karvend (40-09 N, 47-02 E) in Agdam Rayon. District superintendent was fnu SADYKHANOV. Drilling was performed in all possible directions but predominantly along the riverside (probably, Khachin-Chay River). A total of some 40 holes were drilled. No information on oil.
d.	Mir-Bashir. District superintendent was fnu NAGIYEV. Workers lived in township dwellings. No drilling was performed. Some of the drilling crews were transferred to Akstafa. 50X1-HUM
e.	Nukha area. The workers lived in collective farm Beyuk-Degne, (40-57 N, 47-06 E), about 20 km. from Nukha on the way to Yevlakh. The drilling party reinforced by Akstafa crews performed operations on the left side of the road halfway between Beyuk-Degne and Nukha. After three holes were drilled to a depth of about 100 meters, they produced water, hence, drilling operations in this area were discontinued. District superintendent was fnu DZHABIROV.
f.	collective farm Poyle in Akstafa Rayon. The workers were accommodated in "finskiye" houses near the mountain in the vicinity of Poyle. District superintendent was fnu NAGIYEV, same as in "d". No oil was found, and due to a reduction in staff (sokrashcheniye)





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Dismounting of the Yevlakh - Stepanakert Railroad Track	
Miscellaneous Information on Mir-Bashir, Azerb. SSR	
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1. About 5 or 6 years ago, the Yeylakh - Stepanakert Roilroad track discount	1.2 3

Stepanakert Railroad track discontinued its operations. This was a narrow gauge track the largest portion of the stretch from Yevlakh to Mir-Bashir was already 50X1-HUM dismounted at the time of information. The remaining part, northwest of Mir-Bashir in the vicinity of the bridge over Terter River, was dismounted by the Shpalo-Remontnaya Brigada (Tie Repair Squad). The ties and rails were hauled away by trucks to an unidentified destination. At the same time the railroad bridge over the Terter River was also dismounted. no information on the Mir-Bashir - Stepanakert stage of dismounting this track.

2. Nariman Narimanova Street was a new street in a settlement consisting of 400-500 "finskiye" houses constructed by Nefterazvedka while it was still in operation in the Mir- 50X1-HUM Bashir area.

3. Mir-Bashir Rayispolkom chairman was Chanish NAMAZOV. Mir-Bashir Raykom secretary was Nadir RUSTAMOV. Mir-Bashir Raysovet chairman Balysh ABILOV was recently replaced by a new man, name unknown, a former teacher.



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Kir	rovabad Oil Prospecting Trust (Kirovabadnefterazvedka)	50X1-HUM
1.	The offices of the Kirovabad Oil Prospecting Trust (Kirovabadnefteraz were located near the military reservation in Kirovabad, on Kirovabad Yevlakh highway. the following trust superintendents:	
	a. fnu ALIZADE b. fnu SALAMOV, later appointed superintendent of Azmornefterazvedka (Azerb. Off-shore Oil Prospecting) c. fnu YEGORSKY, former district superintendent in Dal'mamedli, later geologist of Azmornefterazvedka d. fnu MEDZHIDOV, later became nachal'nik uchastka with Azmornefterazvedka Trust geologist, fnu ALIZADE,	r a
2.	the Trust had three districts (uchastok): Dal'm Duzdag, and Shirvanlyneft'. On the grounds of the Duzdag district fir holes (skvazhina) were drilled to the depth of about 3,500 meters. The all produced gas (no oil). (Nachal'nik uchastka of the Duzdag district finu ASKEROV, was transferred to Azmornefterazvedka. He was succeeded fnu PROTASOV, formerly an engineer at the same uchastok.) The Shirvanlyneft' district drilled about 20 holes in the area between Barda and Agdam and only two of them produced small amount of oil.	ve ney et, by
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3.	The motor pool (garazh) of the trust was located on Sabira Street in Kirovabad. Its park consisted of 50 GAZ-50, and 1 Daym trucks. Also, there were 10-15 sedans used for the transportation of administrative personnel and light-weight cargo. Four of the trucks, so-called "lesovozki" (timber carriers), were engaged in the transport of boards and timber, 4 and 6 inch pipes, disassembled derricks. The of the trucks transported other oil machinery, equipment and materials from the Kirovabad railroad station to warehouses and derricks. Among	rest

these materials were concrete and some black mineral delivered by the railroad from Ural; this mineral was dumped into drill holes whenever

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	ns appeared. The motor pool employed some 25 workers under the apervision of fnu ISMAILOV	
4.	two warehouses of Nefterazvedka: One was located in the 50X1-HUN	VI

(diesel oil), and boards.

warehouse near the Geran' Restation which stored pipes, oil, salyarka 50X1-HUM



- 1. an Oil Pumping Station (nefteperekachka) at the Kyurak-Chay railroad station near Kirovabad operated 100-150 reservoirs of an unidentified size, collecting oil from Naftalan and Kazanbulak oil fields and pipe-lining it further to Batumi. The approaching pipe-line from Naftalan and Kazanbulak to Kyurak-Chay ran in the open, on top of the ground, east of the road connecting Kyurak-Chay to Kirovabad - Yevlakh highway. The pipe size could not be identified The pipes w 50X1-HUM The pipes were originally wrapped in tol! (tarred felt) but gradually this tol! was cut off by local farmers for their home needs and has never been replaced.
- 2. At the Kyurak-Chay railroad station was also located the diesel generating power station which supplied power to the oil fields of Naftalan and Kazanbulak. No further information available.